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PART IV. Official Papers.

READ :—

Docket No. 565—537, dated 1st March 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldroog District, submitting a statement (of which an Abstract is given below) showing the particulars of loans granted by him for Irrigation Wells during the week ending 29th February 1892.

ABSTRACT.

Taluk.	No. of Wells.	Estimated cost thereof.	1st Instalment advanced.	2nd Instalment paid.
Challakere	14	Rs. 2,550	Rs. 1,275	
Do	2	" 800	"	Rs. 400
Jagalur	1	" 150	Rs. 75	"

No. D. 238, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ :—

Report (of which an Abstract is given below) on the condition of the Kadur District for the fortnight ending 29th February 1892, received from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur.

ABSTRACT.

1. STATE OF CROPS.—Standing crops, jola, sugar-cane, wheat and paddy good in the Malnad, but withering in the Maidan Taluks for want of water.
2. SUPPLY OF FOOD GRAINS.—Rice and ragi enough to meet the general demand till May.
3. SUPPLY OF WATER.—Good in the Malnad and very scanty in the Maidan. Well works started.
4. FODDER FOR CATTLE.—Becoming scarce in the Maidan, whence some cattle were driven to Malnad parts for grazing.
5. DEMAND FOR LABOR.—Nil. Harvest still continuing.
6. CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT.—Generally good. Small-pox in parts of Chikmagalur and Mudgere Taluks. Cattle disease in parts of the Kadur District.

No. D. 239, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ :—

The Kolar District Deputy Commissioner's letter (of which an Abstract is given below), No. 3394—801, dated 25th February 1892, reporting on the state of free pasturage in his District.

ABSTRACT.

1. Twenty-two thousand and seventy-six head of cattle graze in 9 Government Forests thrown open for free pasturage.
2. Water and grass scanty in Forests. Chigre leaves used as fodder.
3. Free grazing permitted in unplanted portions of Plantations also. In planted portions raiyats allowed to cut, scrape and remove the grass.

No. D. 241, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded. The letter under reference does not specify the names of the Plantations wherein pasturage is permitted.

READ:—

Letter No. 3523—824, dated 8th March 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, reporting that the cost incurred on the Amani cultivation of tank beds is now debited to the allotments made for Village Relief Works, and recommending that a separate allotment of money be made for carrying out such cultivation.

No. D. 243, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—A sum of Rs. 2,000 will at once be placed at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner of Kolar for carrying out the Amani cultivation of tank beds as a relief measure.

READ:—

Report (of which an Abstract is given below) on the condition of the Hassan District for the week ending 20th February 1892, received from the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan.

ABSTRACT.

1. CROPS HARVESTED.—The dry crops were all harvested in the Hassan, Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks. Ragi and paddy were being thrashed in the Arkalgud Taluk. In the Arsikere Taluk, Bengal-gram in wet fields was ready to be cut.
2. STANDING CROPS.—Paddy in the Manjarabad Taluk, Bengal-gram and sugar-cane in the Belur Taluk, and sugar-cane, paddy, onions and garlic under wells in some parts of the Channarayapatna Taluk were in good condition. Haralu in the Holé-Narsipur Taluk might yield about a 4 anna crop.
3. PRICES.—Prices had slightly fallen in the Arkalgud and Holé-Narsipur Taluks, and were stationary in the other Taluks.
4. FODDER.—Sufficient in Hassan, Manjarabad, Belur and Arkalgud Taluks. Available for 2 or 3 months in the Holé-Narsipur Taluk. Difficulty experienced in the Channarayapatna Taluk, where some of the raiyats were selling away their cattle in santés or weekly markets.
5. WATER-SUPPLY.—Not sufficient in parts of the Hassan, Arsikere, Arkalgud and Holé-Narsipur Taluks.
6. GENERAL CONDITION.—People find sufficient work. In some parts of the Holé-Narsipur Taluk, the working classes were desirous to have large works started near their villages. Small-pox prevailed in the Hassan and Belur Taluks.

No. D. 244, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892:

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

READ:—

Letter No. 67 (Camp), dated 11th March 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldroog District, asking for an allotment of Rs. 500 for the collection of Tangadi bark as a relief measure.

No. D. 246, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—A sum of Rs. 500 will be placed at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldroog for the purpose indicated above.

READ:—

Letter No. 945, dated the 13th March 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, requesting that a further sum of Rs. 5,000 be placed at his disposal for Village Tank works out of the sum of Rs. 93,200 allotted for such works in that District.

No. D. 247, DATED BANGALORE, 17th MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—A further sum of Rs. 5,000 is placed at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, for Village Tank works. This brings up a total of Rs. 20,000 sanctioned up to date for such works in the District.

READ :—

Docket No. 3566—846, dated 11th March 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, soliciting that a further allotment of Rs. 80,000 be made for advances for Irrigation Wells in his District.

No. D. 248, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—A further grant of Rs. 30,000 for advances for Irrigation Wells in the Kolar District is sanctioned. This makes up a total of Rs. 80,000 sanctioned up to date for Irrigation Wells in the Kolar District.

READ :—

Returns (of which an Abstract is given below) of the progress of Relief Works started, and of drinking water wells sanctioned, in the Chitaldroog District, for the fortnight ending 31st January 1892, received with docket No. 560—532, dated 26th February 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldroog.

ABSTRACT.

RELIEF Works.—Seven works were in progress at the commencement of the fortnight, all in the Hiriyur Taluk. 5 more were started during the fortnight, viz., 1 in the Jagalur Taluk, 2 in the Davangere Taluk and 2 in the Molakalmuru Taluk. The number of coolies on these works not reported. Amildars ordered to furnish this information in future returns. The amount spent on these works during the fortnight, (excluding the sum of Rs. 34—12—8, spent previously on the 7 works in the Hiriyur Taluk) was Rs. 118—9—6. The largest amount spent on any one work was Rs. 24 (Malgondalli tank, Davangere Taluk), and the smallest Rs. 2—12—0 (Devasandra tank, Molakalmuru Taluk). The wages were for each adult male 2 annas, for each adult female and for each child 1 anna 4 pies. Coolies on all the works complained of insufficiency of the wages, but it is explained that the rates were fixed with due regard to the prevailing prices of ragi or jola in strict accordance with relief principles. The works were all carried on on the Amani system and were in the charge of Patels aided by Shanbhogs. The Patels were managing the works satisfactorily.

II. DRINKING WATER WELLS.—Sixteen wells were ordered to be deepened at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,749, and 24 to be newly constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 6,820. All remained under construction at the end of the fortnight.

No. D. 251, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—The returns submitted are incomplete as they do not show the number of coolies employed on the works. The Deputy Commissioner is requested to report at an early date, for insertion in the return No. 1, the number of coolies on each work on the last day of the fortnight.

2. As regards the question of wages, the Deputy Commissioner is referred to the orders issued in Proceedings No. 178, dated 19th February 1892.

3. The Government are glad to note that the Patels have given satisfaction in the management of the works. It is hoped the Shekdars and Amildars inspected the works as directed in the Dewan's Memorandum No. D. 26, dated 12th December 1891.

4. It is not known what number (if any) of wells were sanctioned prior to the period for which this return is submitted. The Deputy Commissioner is requested to submit a statement showing the number and cost of such wells, if any.

5. It is noted that the estimated cost of deepening some of the wells is very high; for instance, the cost of deepening a well in the Halalkere Taluk was Rs. 524, while the cost of constructing a new one in the same Taluk was Rs. 420.

READ:—

Returns (of which an Abstract is given below) of the progress of Relief Works started and of drinking water wells sanctioned, in the Chitaldroog District, for the fortnight ending 15th February 1892, received with docket No. 560—532, dated 26th February 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldroog.

ABSTRACT.

- I. **RELIEF WORKS.**—In addition to the 12 works referred to in the return for the previous fortnight, 8 works were started during the fortnight under review, *viz.*, 1 in the Davangere Taluk and 7 in the Challakere Taluk. But on 6 out of the 7 works in progress in the Hiriyur Taluk, no coolies came to work, during the fortnight, and no amount was therefore spent. The number of coolies employed on the last day of the fortnight is not reported. The total amount spent during the fortnight was Rs. 309—14—8, which, with the sums spent in previous fortnights, makes up a total of Rs. 463—4—10. The largest amount spent on any one work during the fortnight was Rs. 61—7—0 (Avargere tank, Davangere Taluk) and the smallest amount Rs. 3—0—8 (Marikunte tank, Challakere Taluk). The rates of wages were the same as in the previous fortnight, and there was again the complaint of insufficiency. The new works started were also placed in the charge of Patels, and carried on on the Amani system. The Patels were managing the works satisfactorily.
- II. **DRINKING WATER WELLS.**—The deepening of 9 wells at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,069 and the construction of 6 new wells at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,634 were sanctioned during the fortnight, in addition to the 40 wells referred to in the return for the previous fortnight. The deepening of one well at an actual cost of Rs. 200 was completed during the fortnight, and 54 wells remained under construction at the end of the fortnight.

No. D. 252, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH MARCH 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—The attention of the Deputy Commissioner is drawn to the remarks made in Proceedings No. D. 251, dated 17th March 1892.

2. The cost of deepening old wells was in some cases nearly equal to, if not more than, the cost of constructing new wells. It is noted that, in the course of one month, only one out of 25 old wells the deepening of which was sanctioned, was fully deepened. The progress cannot be considered satisfactory. The deepening or sinking of these wells should be pushed on with vigor if they are to be of any use in this season of drought.

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